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Debra A. Howland Executive Director and Secretary New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission 21 South Fruit Street, Suite 10 Concord, NH 03301

Re: Northern Utilities Inc.: DG: 09-

Dear Ms. Howland:

Enclosed on behalf of Northern Utilities, Inc. ("Northern"), please find an original and seven (7) copies of Northern's F-4 Petition for Authority to Issue Securities pursuant to Rule Puc 509.03, together with exhibits and prefiled direct testimony of David L. Chong.

If you have any questions or need additional information, please do not hesitate to contact me at 617 748-6847, or via email at mpurcell@dl.com.

Very truly yours,

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